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Baldwin, Jos. G. Flush times of Alabama and Mississippi: a ser. of sketches. 11th thou-San Francisco, Sumner Whitney & Co., sand.

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Braddon, Miss M. E. The cloven foot: a novel. N. Y., Harper, 1879. 76 p. Q. (Franklin sq. lib., no. 49.) pap., 15 c.

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5.) cl., 40 c.

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Putnam, G: H. International copyright considered in some of its relations to ethics and political economy: address, Jan. 29, 1879, before N. Y. Free-trade Club. N. Y., G. P. Putnam's Sons, 1879. 2 + 54 p. D. (Economic monographs, no. 15.) pap., 25 c., Comprises a history of international copyright in other countries, and efforts made towards it in U. S.; also presents a basis for plan of international copyright beween U. S. and other countries; reprinted from Publishers' weekly of Feb. 15, 22, Mar. 1, 8, 15, 22.

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Stevens, W: Bacon. Sermons. N. Y., E. P. Dutton & Co., 1879. 5 + 311 p. D. cl., \$1.75. 25 sermons, by bishop of Protestant Episcopal Church, diocese of Penn. The personal presence of the comforter; Spiritual death; Why so many prayers are unanswered; The Lambeth Conference of 1878; Sins of the tongue; Is there reason or profit in prayer? and other subjects.

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The Publishers' Weekly.

F. LEYPOLDT, Bibliographical Editor.

R. R. BOWKER, General Editor.

MARCH 29, 1879.

PUBLISHERS are requested to furnish title-page proofs and advance information of books forthcoming, both for entry in the lists and for descriptive mention. An early copy of each book published should be forwarded, to insure correctness in the final entry.

The trade are invited to send "Communications" to the editor on any topic of interest to the trade, and as to which an interchange of opinion is desirable. Also, matter for "Notes and Queries." Notes from librarians will also be gratefully received.

In case of business changes, notification or card should be immediately sent to this office for entry under "Business Notes." New catalogues issued will also be mentioned when forwarded.

"Every man is a debtor to his profession, from the which, as men do of course seek to receive countenance and profit, so ought they of duty to endeavor themselves by way of amends to be a hilp thereunto."—LORD BACON.

STATE-MADE SCHOOL-BOOKS.

THE text-book law proposed in Illinois includes a feature which has not lately appeared in text-book legislation, and which, we believe, has never become the subject of practical experiment in any state. The Illinois law proposes that the text of the books shall be prepared by or under the supervision of a Commission, and that books so prepared shall then be subject to competitive bids for the manufacturing.

We have often taken occasion to show that the "state system" of school-book publication is a vicious one that must act detrimentally to both the publishers' and the public interests in the long-run. The example of Minnesota may be quoted to the contrary, but the system there has not yet been in existence for a sufficiently long time to show its full effects. The prices at which the state obtains its books are low, but "the middle-man" is not after all eliminated; it is not yet known whether his margin of profit is sufficient to enable him to fulfil his contract without recourse to his bondsmen; it is not yet found whether the publishers can afford to tenew such a contract, especially if profits in other states are reduced to the same minimum; the jobbing and corruption which this system invites have not yet shown up; the state has not yet had time to feel the effect of choking off competition as to the quality of books-their improvement up to date: in a word, the time is and yet come when it can be decided if this system is not in opposition to the laws of trade, and therefore certain of ultimate failure. We are Quite sure that the educational publishing busi-

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ness, as it now exists, could not survive a general adoption of this system, and that school-books, outside those furnished by the state, would be both poorer and dearer instead of better and cheaper. If the present interests of rival houses induce first one and then another to "make the best" of this new system, it will be to the future cost of the general business.

The Illinois plan, however, introduces an element objectionable in another way. In the first place, it will be practically inpossible to produce as good books from the proposed new system of machinery, gotten up for the occasion, as from the trained skill which publishers and the authors in relation to them bring to bear in their production. Such books would rarely be satisfactory, for legislative enactment neither could create talent nor would be likely to secure it. In the second place,—and this is the wider bearing,—the state-made books are in line with a dangerous denationalizing tendency. If each sect and each section is to have its own school-books, glorifying itself, losing sight of all rational perspective, we shall have given up one of the most valuable present elements in our national life. Such considerations as these should have weight with the people of Illinois, and with such other states as contemplate this system.

A WORK that should receive the support of the trade is now under discussion by a Committee of the American Library Association, and will be published as soon as sufficient subscriptions are assured. The "A. L. A. Catalog" will be a volume of about 250 pages, containing under class sections the titles of the 5000 works considered, according to the best library experience, most desirable for library purposes and general reading, the titles accompanied by descriptive notes similar to those of the Boston Public Library catalogues or of the Title-Slip Registry. Such a volume, authoritatively prepared, will be of great service both to booksellers and bookbuyers, and advance orders are asked on the basis of \$2.50 per copy, cloth, which may be sent to the American Library Association, 32 Hawley Street, Boston, or through this office.

THE signatures procured toward the organization of the Book-Trade Provident Association, the meeting for which purpose will be held on Monday evening, already number over three hundred. Mr. Morison, who has been active in Philadelphia, has secured over one hundred names, and Mr. Hardy, in Boston, fifty. A general attendance of the resident signers is hoped for at the meeting, with some representation from outside.

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THE SPRING OUTLOOK - ADDITIONS.

THE AUTHORS' PUBLISHING Co. have in preparation, in their popular Satchel Series, "Bera," by S. de Leon, who gives a vivid picture of a Western frontier town; "Poor The-ophilus," and the "City of Fin," the one a love story, the other an oddly amusing quaint conceit pertaining to the wonders of the sea, by a contributor to Puck; and "Glenmere," a story of love versus wealth.

H. C. BAIRD & Co. have just ready, "Fuel: its Combustion and Economy," by D. Kinnear Clark, C.E. It consists of abridgments of the "Treatise on the Combustion of Coal, and the Prevention of Smoke," by C. Wye Williams, and "The Economy of Fuel," by T. Symes Prideaux, with extensive additions on recent practice in the combustion and economy of fuel. Mr. Clark is a member of the Institute of Civil Engineers, and the author of "Railway Machinery" and "Tramways;" he is therefore fully competent to treat on the subject.

FAIRBANKS & Co., Chicago, announce a new edition of Talmage's "The Masque Torn Off," to appear the first week in April.

D. LOTHROP & Co. are preparing for publication in the summer or autumn a volume to be called "The Prayers of Christian History." It is by Hezckiah Butterworth, and is an account of memorable prayers, in their very words when these are to be procured. Among those included are Luther's prayer at the Diet of Worms, and Washington's at Valley Forge.

THE ORANGE JUDD Co. have in preparation Quimby's "Mysteries of Bee-Keeping," popular among apiarians, entirely rewritten and enlarged, under the title of "Quimby's New Bee-Keeping." They will also issue shortly a work likely to attract attention in view of the opening of the bench show, under the title "Dogs of Great Britain and America," with notes on their breeding, training, and management in health and disease; the new book will comprise the important parts of Stonehenge's two works on the dog, with chapters by American writers.

THE READERS' AND WRITERS' ECONOMY Co., Boston, will shortly issue a work of importance to librarians and those interested in classification, under the title of." Classification and Subject Index on Melvil Dewey's Amherst Plan, and 35-Character Notation, for cataloging, indexing, or arranging Books, Pamphlets, Clippings, and Notes," by Mr. Chas. A. Cutter, of the Boston Athenæum.

F. H. REVEL, Chicago, will soon issue another edition of "The True Tabernacle," by Geo. C. Needham, the evangelist.

ROBERTS BROTHERS will publish by and by a book entitled "Portraits and Principles," by Rev. Dr. Bartol. Among the "portraits" will be those of Dr. Channing and Mr. John Weiss, who died recently.

S. R. Wells & Co. call attention to their popular book on "How to Read," a useful little volume with hints in choosing the best books and full classified lists of works in all departments of literature; "Life at Home," a pleasant volume of advice to the family and its members; "How to Magnetize;" Practical Instructions in Animal Magnetism;" and "How to be Beautiful," by D. H. Jacques, which has already had a good sale.

THE COPYRIGHT QUESTION-OPINIONS OF PUBLISHERS AND AUTHORS.-VI.

THE following are additional replies to our copyright queries:

- 1. Do you favor International Copyright? 2. What plan seems to you most practicable in view of all interests concerned?
- 3. What method of accomplishing this plan. seems most feasible?
- 4. Can you (if author) estimate sales of your works abroad, and your loss for want of International Copyright?
- 5. Can you suggest any desirable changes in the domestic copyright law?

E. P. ROE, CORNWALL, N. Y.

3. A petition signed by the authors and pub. lishers of the country.

4. I cannot form any correct estimate of my losses from the lack of an honest law. On the 1st of January last Dodd, Mead & Co. paid me copyright, or accounted for in bona-fide sales, for over fifty-one thousand books. These sales had taken place within the preceding fifteen months. Ward, Locke & Co. do not give me any account of sales. They have offered £100 for each of my last two books, but through misunderstandings I have received only £75 in each case. From all I can learn, the popularity of my books is quietly and steadily increasing in England. Ward & Locke would not offer £100 if there were but little demand for them. The lack of any law renders it difficult to obtain any definite information.

S. IRÆNEUS PRIME, NEW YORK.

I. Yes.

2. The right of an author in his books should be protected by law or treaty, so that he could enjoy it in any country as the merchant does in case of his cotton or other goods.

3. With Great Britain a treaty recognizing this right would regulate it, leaving authors and publishers to make their own bargains as other business men do.

4. No. Only four of my books have been to my knowledge reprinted abroad : all these without my consent. I have never received a cent from any of them but one: of that about 100,000 copies were sold, and the publisher sent me \$100.

5. I could suggest many desirable changes, but none that would be adopted: all the tendency of opinion is to deprive the author of his rights. I believe that the old common law ought to be enforced, and that no man should be allowed to reprint an author's book without his consent.

MISS WARNER, NEW YORK.

r. With all my heart.

Differing from one of the writers in the WEEKLY, I think that if a man has "a natural right" to anything, he has such a right to his thoughts, which are simply a part of himself; and where an invention in mechanics is patented, it is but another variety of the same thing.

2. It seems to me fairest, under guarantee of protection by treaty between the nations concerned, to let authors and publishers make their contracts and fulfil them as in each individual case they think good, as simply as when both parties belong to one nation.

3. By act of Congress, or by treaty securing protection; but whether of the two I am not

sufficiently posted to know.

4 It is in my case utterly inestimable; for years the English sale was so enormously in advance of the American. I saw one estimate that within a few years after its publication the "Wide, Wide World" had been sold in Great Britain to the amount of a quarter of a million. Ten thousand of "Queechy" were sold at a single railway station.

5. I do not understand the present condition

or needs of the same.

EDWARD EGGLESTON, BROOKLYN.

1. Of course.

2. I do not think a simple question should be befogged. There is but one practical plan as there is but one just plan-to accord to an author entire control of the product of his brain. I would only apply this to works produced hereaster.) The publisher has no legitimate interest beforehand in any author's work. Let all questions between publisher and author and public be settled as other trade questions are. The whole pretence of interest or right in this matter by 'American publishers is the result of a distorted view of the case growing out of habitual and long-continued unjust advantage accorded them by the present lawless method.

3. As I think there can be but one plan, so there seems but one method, viz., to give the British and American authors control of their works. Justice to a citizen is not more than justice to an alien. It is monstrous that the puestion should be discussed as it has been by Mr. W. H. Appleton and others. If by this question you mean how shall we proceed to secure the law, I think we must even take for the present what publishers will grant us. For my part I wish the Seaside Libraries all success. The worse the present system becomes, the sooner it will be rectified.

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4. The sales of my works abroad have been very large,—but in cheap editions, except "Roxy," which has been copyrighted in England, believe. My first four novels together brought me from England \$600 or a little more all told. I have no returns yet from "Roxy." Cannot estimate loss. Real loss is on this side. My novel sells for \$1.50, Wm. Black's for 10 or 20 cents. My market is injured. But my personal loss is a small matter. I am pretty well paid, it happens, for my work. Others suffer more. The great loss is the loss of the whole people. Our literature is nipped by unfair cheapness of pirated works from England; our people fail to get the refining influence of an American literature idealizing their own life. So we remain largely materialistic in our modes of thought and living, while some of our great publishers discuss with what qualifications they will accord common justice to British au-thors, a fair chance in the market to American authors, and room for a genuine American literature to grow, with all its blessings for the American people. I am glad that a spirit of greater firmness is growing up in the trade, for the trade is all-powerful with Congress on this question.

5. I have not studied the question.

J. M. HART, CINCINNATI.

 I do, very decidedly, as a matter of justice.
 I have not studied the details very thoroughly. I am disposed to favor a plan like this: To give authors equal copyrights in both England and United States. Then prescribe that a book to enjoy privilege of copyright should be at least printed in the foreign country, e.g., an English book in the United States, and vice versa. But stereotyping might be done in England; only stereotype plates to be subject to same duty as type-metal. Would not this obviate all handicapping of American printers by reason of tariff charges? Some limit of time ought to be fixed in case of a foreign book. That is, a foreign publisher should be compelled to introduce an American edition at a price not less than the original (gold valuation), within a year, say, from date of copyright entry abroad.

3. The troublesome point is the tariff. As stated above, I think that an English book ought to be printed here. Let the stereotype plates be imported, but pay duty. Same with

woodcuts, electrotypes, etc.

4. In the case of my own books, probably not much. Not more than \$100 per annum. in the case of my father's books, several hundred dollars. Besides, this is not all. American publisher is deterred from making any effort to introduce his books in England. If he advertises freely (and that is necessary), he will only help whoever chooses to pirate.

5. None occur to me. So far as I remember, I have not heard any complaint made concern-ing our domestic law. Why not extend the time to 100 years, and then make the right.

cease absolutely?

I am sorry that I have so little to offer. The subject interests me, yet I have never given it proper attention. What I send you is the first thought that occurs to me. To examine the subject fully, one should consult the business details of book-making in America, and foresee and provide for all the complications that may arise in consequence of our tariff and our domestic finances. But I am persuaded that thereis a way to do justice to both English writers. and American, and that it can be discovered if we take time and can get a respectable Congress together.

ELIZABETH STUART PHELPS, ANDOVER, MASS.

I do not know enough about the questions at stake to answer your inquiries usefully. I certainly favor international copyright if I understand the rights of the case, but how to bring it about I do not know. My own books have sold very largely abroad and in Canada—especially, but not only, "The Gates Ajar."
That and "Hedged In" and "The Silent Partner" have been translated into several languages. I have not kept any record of the editions, translations, or requests for right to translate which I have had; but I know that in England, Scotland, France, Germany, Switzer land, Holland, and, I think, Italy, one or several of my books have appeared. I have received certain sums from English publishers for advance sheets, but never from any others in any It has always seemed a little uncountry. reasonable, the receiving of requests for right to translate, while never a cent came for the copyright, in some cases not even a copy of the book.

I can think readily of five different editions of "The Gates," in England, and I believe there were more. That railway man—Smith, is it? had a penny edition. I have somewhere gathered a rough estimate that the English sales of my earlier books were larger than those in America; but I have kept no figures, and not dollars enough to recall them at all by associ-

J. T. HEADLEY, NEW YORK.

I have always been in favor of an international copyright law, and more than thirty years ago, when residing in New York, labored hard to secure one.

To me the simplest plan has always seemed to be to have books put into the same category with patents and engravings—i.e., have one law cover all alike. The talk about rights of property, and the distinction that should be made between books and patents, etc., is totally useless. Congress is not troubled about these niceties. It recognizes the right of the American author to his book, and would be glad to see him enjoy it in England. The whole trouble is, it will not take a step that it knows will enhance the price of English books here. The whole hitch is there. It does not turn on a difference of opinion about rights, but on having foreign literature cheap here. Perhaps this difficulty may be overcome if there is an attempt to get an international copyright by treaty. But I am afraid the same selfish policy will rule.

I do not know about the sale of my works abroad. On some a small copyright has been sent me gratuitously. I noticed the other day in the London Athenaum a strong notice of a book of mine published by an English clergyman, who had the audacity to announce "revised and corrected" by him. Of course I shall never know how much he will make by

As for domestic copyright, I think the law in the main is good enough, and, with com-mon prudence on the part of publisher and common honesty on that of the author, will work well enough. Doubtless it would be well to make the law a little more definite on plays written for the stage, while in dictionaries and text-books the author's right of property should be as perpetual as in that of real estate. In conclusion, I repeat what I said at the outsetthe whole difficulty in the way of an international copyright law is the unwillingness of Congress to make English literature more difficult of access to the mass of the American people. Remove this obstacle, the thing is done. Unless it is, Congress will do nothing.

FOREIGN EDITIONS OF COPYRIGHTED BOOKS.

THE President of the Booksellers' and Stationers' Association of Victoria, Australia, Mr. Samuel Mullen, writes to the Publishers Circular, London, to complain that an American book canvasser is freely selling throughout the Australian Colonies a Family Bible which bears a New York imprint, and which contains, as an addendum, an abridgment of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary.

"The Booksellers' Association of Victoria," he states, "made an effort to get this book seized and confiscated by the Custom House

authorities of this colony, in pursuance of Act 8 and 9 Vic., chap. 86, Customs Laws, section

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"This Act empowers the Customs authorities
"Her Majesty's dominions to in every port of Her Majesty's dominions to seize upon and destroy pirated editions of any British copyright work, and in this port em-bargo has, from time to time, been laid upon American reprints, and that so effectually as nearly altogether to put a stop to their importation.

"It is obvious, however, that a colonial Commissioner of Customs must know that he is laying his hands on pirated books, not on lawful reprints. In order to instruct him in this matter, the Customs House authorities in London issue, from time to time, lists of such works as they get notice of from the owners of copyrights. These lists are unfortunately very meagre, and do not represent a tithe of the number of British copyrights. The book referred to above, Dr. William Smith's 'Dictionary of the Bible,' does not appear in any of these lists, and hence the effort to stop the importation of the American Bible was vain.
"If the publishers and other owners of Brit-

ish copyright works would take the trouble to register the titles of their books at the London Custom House, their interests would be easily conserved by a simple and most effectual machinery which enables the head of the Customs department in any port of Her Majesty's dominions to act in the sic volo, sic jubeo manner in reference to pirated books. Should any one doubt this statement, I would advise him to refer to the Consolidated Customs Act (Butterworth's, 1876), clause 152.

"The only other method of checking the sale of pirated books in the colonies is by obtaining injunctions and other tedious and expensive law proceedings, which a simple pre-cation, like the registration noted above, will

render unnecessary.

In the United States the same difficulty exists in much greater degree, in the matter of Canadian reprints, but our Customs authorities take no pains at all to stop or destroy such editions. Some action in this respect is loudly called for.

POSTAL MATTERS.

A most important discussion of "Advertising Sheets," by Judge Freeman, Asst. Attorney. General for the Post-Office Department, treating elaborately the question of what constitutes a "regular publication designed primarily for advertising purposes," has been put forth by the Postmaster-General, under date of March 11th, as his official ruling on the general subject, by way of instruction to postmasters concerned. The case reviewed was that of the Citizen Soldier of Washington, published by a claim agent in that city, in the interest of his personal business, though with a large circulation at a sub-scription price. Judge Freeman's opinion covers several pages, and occupies too much space for our columns; we give the pith of it, as follows

"To fall within this class [periodicals designed primarily for advertising purposes, a periodical] need not be a transient or irregular publication, nor a publication designed for free circulation, nor for circulation at nominal rates; these form, as already stated,

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cle of particu trolled emme a distinct class of their own, and the rate of postage on each is prescribed by law; When we find a paper published at a point where a particular trade or profession amounts to a specialty, and we find the columns of said paper largely devoted to a particular trade or profession; its editorials principally on that subject; its correspondence almost exclusively on that or kindred subjects; the burden of its information relating to a particular subject, as, for instance, the collection of claims against the government; when we find the whole make-up of the paper of a character to catch the eye, and enlist the interest of only a particular class, we conclude, of course, that it is what is de-nominated a 'class journal.' That, however, is not sufficient to exclude it from the pound rates, for very many papers of this class are every day admitted to the mails at pound rates. But when we proceed a step further, and ascertain that, in addition to all this, the paper advertises the proprietor, and he alone, as engaged in a business enterprise, in which the particular class of persons whose interests are apparently sought to be promoted are most deeply interested, I think we may well conclude that the primary or principal object of the paper is to advertise the business of the editor.

"I am not holding that a lawyer, mechanic, or physician, a claim agent or merchant, may not edit a legitimate newspaper, entitled as such to the pound rates. I do hold, however, that when a person (engaged in any of the trades or professions named, or others of similar character) undertakes, in addition to and in connection with such occupation or profession, to publish anewspaper, having for its principal object the promotion of the particular class of business in which its proprietor is engaged, conveying through its columns the superior facilities of its editor or proprietor for the transaction of that particular business, in such a manner as to impress even a casual reader with the fact that the entire influence of the paper is devoted to forwarding the professional interests of its editor or proprietor, that such a paper falls within the rule. Nor does it materially alter the case that such a paper contains a large proportion of reading matter of interest to the general public. It is not the amount of space occupied by what are ordinarily denominated advertisements that brings it within the rule. Seventeen eighteenths of the paper in question may, as the petitioner alleges, be devoted to reading matter. The rule has been held, and I think correctly, to apply to a paper filled with reading matter, other than advertisements, containing not a single advertisement in the ordinary sense of that term, for the reason that it made the simple announcement, in a marginal form, that it was published by a firm engaged in a certain trade; as, for instance, 'This paper is published by John Smith, the grocer.'

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"I have already intimated that it is very difficult to lay down any general rule on this subject. I think, however, we may adopt as a basis for a sound discrimination on this subject the following rule, viz.: A paper principally or very largely devoted to a particular interest, as, for instance, the collection of claims against the government or the sale of a particular article of manufacture, or the development of a particular section of country edited and controlled, in the first instance, at the seat of government by a claim agent, or, in the second

instance, by the proprietor of the article advertised in its columns, or, in the third instance, by a real-estate agent in the section of country advertised or proposed to be developed—such a paper may very safely be held to be within the rule. If it should be urged as an objection to this rule that it excludes professional men, merchants, and artisans from the editorial class, I reply by saying that the law interposes no obstacle in the way of either of the classes named, except to say that they may not burden the mails with advertisements of their private interests under the guise of publishing a newspaper devoted to the interests of a particular class of persons or the public."

THE ENCYCLOPÆDIA BRITANNICA.

In noting the appearance of the ninth volume of this work, the Tribune adds: "There are now sold three editions of this work, and some confusion seems to exist in the public mind as to the nature and character of each. The original edition is supplied in this country only by Little, Brown & Co., of Boston, whose imprint it bears. It sells for eight dollars a volume in cloth, and may be obtained at retail through the trade. Shortly after the first volume of this edition appeared, J. M. Stoddart & Co., of Philadelphia, took rapid steps to reprint it in smaller type, making a large octavo of the original large quarto. This they are selling, by subscription only, at five dollars a volume in cloth. Since then the English publishers, A. & C. Black, of Edinburgh, have printed for English-speaking countries outside of Great Britain an edition in small quarto, from the original plates, which differs from the large quarto edition only in having a narrower margin and thinner paper. It is imported by Charles Scribner's Sons, and by them sold in the United States and Canada, by subscription only, at five dollars a volume. On the title-page it bears the name of Samuel L. Hall, who is at the head of the subscription department of the Scribner house. Questions whether this edition was a true fac-simile of the English work having been asked, A. &. C. Black have certified that it is "printed by us from the original stereotype plates of the Eng-lish edition;" further, that "the plates of both the English and the subscription editions are the same.

A PLEASANT ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

DR. J. FALKE, author of "Art in the House," has addressed the following letter to Messrs. L. Prang & Co., publishers of the admirable American edition:

DEAR SIRS: I received your letter and its contents in due time, but only some time afterwards the two copies of "Art in the House." This is mainly the reason why you do not receive this letter as soon as you have probably expected. Besides, I desired to hear the opinion of my friends, which has turned out to be entirely like mine.

My first impression, I must admit, was that of a pleasant astonishment, and this impression has not been weakened by a closer examination. Indeed you have brought out the book as it should have been undertaken at the beginning. But here nobody would have dared to undertake it in this form, and I, on my part, prefer

always to let the work speak for itself rather than have it accompanied by unsatisfactory illustrations. Here, however, in your edition, word and art go hand in hand. The book itself has become a work of taste, a work of art for the house. The illustrations have been selected by Mr. Perkins with correctness, and correspond to the text so completely that I can hardly find an objection. I, myself, might have chosen differently here and there, but only because other material is at my disposition. The illustrations are as finely and correctly executed as they are well selected. You may well say that the publication has been a work of love to you, but I believe, so far as I know and study American conditions, that it will not remain such an investment entirely. The need of such a book exists, and, in the shape in which it has now The need of such a book been presented, there is no similar work which can be at all compared to it.

If I still add that the translation is quite excellent, I hardly need to assure you that "Art in the House" has caused me great pleasure. If the fourth German edition could be like yours, I should be perfectly satisfied.

I remain yours truly J. FALKE. AUSTRIAN MUSEUM, VIENNA, Feb. 7, 1879.

THE COLOR OF PAPER.

An English reader and scholar writes to the Athenaum in protest against tinted papers for

printed books.

"I can read Shakspere in the diamond editions of Pickering or Tegg without much difficulty; yet I could make nothing of Bellows' French Dictionary. The attempt to use it brought on a most distressing pain in the optic nerve and consequent headache, and a few words were all I could decipher at one effort. I handed the book to a young lady, and she gave up in despair the attempt to read it. I soon discovered that the gist of the evil lay in the [yellow-brown] color of the paper. Of course I returned the book to the publishers. Since then I have had many repetitions of the Books are rendered completely same thing. useless to me by being printed on what is called toned paper.'

Speaking of two other books, he says:
"To read the latter is a luxury, the former a misery; yet both must be read, as indispensable to my studies. I do not say that Prof. Caird's book is printed on that delectable deadwhite paper which one meets with in German and American literature; but the paper is so nearly white that Prof. Fowler's work looks positively yellow beside it. Let it not be said that I have weak eyes, and that my wants must not be taken as the measure of other persons' wants. It is true that I have suffered in my eyes; but it is to me a delight to bask in the rich full light of a summer sun. My troubles begin with gaslight and lamplight. I need the actinic rays which are excluded from the yellow part of the spectrum. Do not we all need them, more or less, and is not the fact that the sun is our great light-giver a proof that white

light is most beneficial to our eyes?
"I wish it were possible to banish forever the detestable gamut of yellow tones from our paper. It has now become impracticable to get a book printed in black ink; and the mischief of this is aggravated when pale ink is on yellowtoned paper. There are three good reasons

why all paper, for printing or writing, should be dead-white.

" 1. It is the color of sunlight, and is therefore

better for the eyes.

"2. It affords the best contrast to black ink; and in a matter where the discrimination of black letter-press is of the essence of good printing, this contrast cannot be too decided.

3. It is the only honest color for books, toned paper being the fantastical and tricky resource of those who wish to imitate the venerable discoloration which age and use entail on the purest paper that was ever made. Time's inevitable touch fades ink and embrowns paper, and its course is to eliminate that difference which alone makes reading pos-Why then anticipate this doom by paper? Is it not defrauding posterity to do so?

"My library possesses a copy of 'L' elegantis-sime Stanze di Messer Angelo Poliziano' (Padova: n.d.). It is printed on blue paper, and I cannot say it is agreeable reading. But it is luxurious compared with the yellow literature which afflicts our modern printing-presses."

COMMUNICATIONS.

THE "TRIBUNE" PREMIUM.

PORTLAND, OR., March 11, 1879. As a solution of the "Dictionary Problem," how would it do for the principal booksellers in each city in the United States to advertise that they would pay \$8 cash to Tribune sub-scribers for these dictionaries? There are fre-quently parties who want the Tribune who do not need the dictionary, and who would be willing to sell them at the above price. If every bookseller in the United States could thus advertise simultaneously, it would enable all Tribune subscribers to estimate the net cost of their paper, and the reflex influence might prove beneficial to the trade. What do you Yours, etc., J. K. GILL & Co. think about it?

COMMENTS ON BOOKS.

Hudson's new edition of "Hamlet," just published by Ginn & Heath, is an admirable piece of good work, with a careful and valuable introduction, and an abundance of helpful notes at the bottom of the pages, all excellently printed, and making a good book for families or schools.

THE London Athenaum thus speaks of Matthew Arnold's new volume of "Mixed Essays: "One feels that these essays are Mr. Arnold, and that the lesson they convey as a whole is more precious than any single principle expressed throughout them. It is the lesson of courtesy, gentleness, and toleration. The stern practical nature of life in the nineteenth century, and the controversial fierceness which is at once the strength and the misfortune of Englishmen, could have no better foil than this high-souled preacher, who has continually reminded us by his own example of the supreme value of noble conduct and high demeanor. Every one seeks in some manner to imitate what none can help to admire. After the noisy din of angry polemic this ever-gentle voice is as welcome to the weary ear as the rustling of the wind over the corn after the clattering of horse's hoofs along the stones of a crowded street."

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OBITUARY.

JAMES H. ELDREDGE.

IAMES H. ELDREDGE, of the educational bookpublishing firm of Eldredge & Bro., of Phila-delphia, died at his residence on Wednesday evening, March 19, aged forty-four. dredge had been a sufferer for the past eighteen years with an affection of the liver, which ulti-mately was the cause of his death. He was born in Philadelphia, September, 1835. Adopting the profession of a teacher, he was engaged at the Military Academy at Sing Sing, N. Y., for a short time, when he was called to fill a similar position at the House of Refuge in Phil-He was subsequently principal of the Friends' School, Walnut Street, above Sixth, and upon the retirement of Mr. Maguire became principal of the Hancock School, where, during his seven years' incumbency, he was very successful, never having had a High School candidate rejected. Since 1865, Mr. Eldredge has been in business with his brother, and was well and favorably known in the community.

AUTHORS AT WORK.

PARKMAN is now actively engaged on his new work, "Montcalm and the Conquest of New France," which, we believe, is to complete his series.

MR. GEORGE F. FORT, of Camden, author of "The Early History and Antiquities of Freemasonry," has about completed a new historical work on the "Medical Economy of the Middle Ages."

Mr. WILLIAM L. STONE, whose "Life of Sir William Johnson" and other biographical works have demonstrated his fitness for such tasks, is engaged in preparing a life of George Clinton, New York's first governor.

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LITERARY AND TRADE NOTES.

S. C. GRIGGS & Co. have the forty-second edition of Prof. Mathews' "Getting on in the World" in press.

"THE Youth of Queen Elizabeth," edited from the French of M. Louis Wiesener by Charlotte M. Yonge, is in press abroad.

RHODES & McClure, Chicago, have issued over five thousand of their "Entertaining Anecdotes" since it made its appearance the first of the year.

JANSEN, McClurg & Co. have the fourth edition of Cumnock's "Choice Readings" in press. On the 22d inst. this firm issued the second edition of Prof. Swing's "Motives of Life."

A WORK by Mr. D. C. Boulger, on "England and Russia in Central Asia," just ready abroad, is dedicated, by permission, to Sir Henry Rawlinson, and contains a fac-simile in half scale of the latest Russian official map of Central Asia.

A NEW West Virginia school-bill provides that the retail price of school-books shall not exceed the present wholesale price, and that the retail price shall be published on the backs of the books, and also posted up in school-houses.

Over three hundred tons of Scribner's Monthly were printed during the year 1878. If the pages were fastened together they would reach

about 16,000 miles; and, at the present rate of increase, the publishers have every reason to anticipate their ability to "put a girdle round about the earth" with the pages of the twelve numbers of a few years hence.

THE ninth volume of the "Encyclopædia Britannica" will be ready for delivery in April. It extends the work nearly through the letter. "F." The article on "Benjamin Franklin" is written by John Bigelow; that on "Millard Fillmore," by Dr. G. E. Ellis, of Boston; "Fiesole," by W. M. Rossetti; "Fielding," by William Minto; "Charles James Fox," by W. F. Rae; and "Froissart," by Walter Besant.

SCRIBNER & WELFORD call attention to their recent importations, which include a number of books of general interest, such as should be generally kept in stock by the trade. Besides those we have already noted, we may speak especially of the new Bohn volumes, which include Harriet Martineau's "History of England, 1800–1815;" the first volume of the revised edition of Cunningham's "Lives of Eminent British Painters;" and the new issue of the translation of Goethe.

J. B. LIPPINCOTT & Co. have reduced the price of the "United States Dispensatory" from \$10 to \$7.50. For almost thalf a century this work has maintained a vigorous life, surviving successive generations of rivals, and securing for itself universal recognition for the thoroughness, accuracy and originality of its articles. "Sir Gibbie," George Macdonald's last novel, as published by Messrs Lippincott & Co., has already passed through its fourth edition, and "Castle Hohenwald," Mrs. Wister's last translation, is selling largely, as all her translations are bound to do.

Mr. J. R. Green, the historian, is to edit a series of small volumes for the use of students, upon the authors, Greek, Latin, and English, which form the chief subjects of teaching in the schools. The plan is to group around each author the main features of his age and surroundings. The following have been arranged for, viz.: "Herodotus," by Prof. Bryce; "Sophocles," by Prof. Lewis Campbell; "Euripides," by Prof. Mahaffy; "Demosthenes," by Mr. S. H. Butcher; "Livy," by the Rev. W. W. Capes; "Cicero," by Prof. A. S. Wilkins; "Virgil," by Prof. Nettleship; "Horace," by Mr. T. H. Ward; "Milton," by the Rev. Stopford A. Brooke; "Spenser," by Prof. Hales; "Bacon," by the Rev. Dr. Abbott; and "Chaucer," by Mr. F. J. Furnivall.

J. B. LIPPINCOTT & Co. will soon have ready the first part of the "Atlas of Histology." It will be a complete representation of the microscopic structure of simple and compound structures of man and the higher animals, in carefully executed colored engravings, with explanatory text of the figures, and a concise account of the hitherto ascertained facts in histology. The text comprises, besides the explanation of the illustrations themselves, a good deal of other matter that either need not be specially illustrated, being intelligible by means of the given figures, or that cannot be done so if the work is to be kept within The concluding chapter reasonable limit. will treat of organs the nature of which is not sufficiently well known, as the supra-renal capsule, the thyroid, and coccygeal gland.

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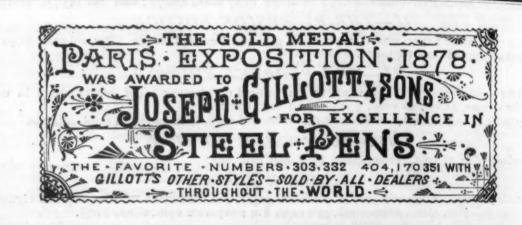
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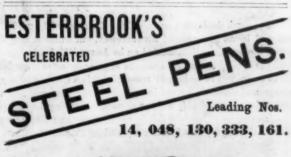
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